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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takayuki HASEBE et al.

Serial No. 09/549,551

Group Art Unit: 2132

Confirmation No. 9207

Filed: April 14, 2000

Examiner: KIM, JUNG W

For: APPARATUS TO CREATE AND/OR VERIFY DIGITAL SIGNATURES HAVING A
SECURE TIME ELEMENT AND AN IDENTIFIER OF THE APPARATUS (As Amended)

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 10, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on March 10, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to April 10, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE TITLE

Please ~~DELETE~~ the Title in its entirety and substitute the following new Title:

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